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~~Applicant:~~ Thomas J. Augustin et al.  
~~Group Art Unit:~~ 2841  
~~Examiner:~~ Hung S. Bui  
~~Title:~~ METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SHOCK AND  
VIBRATION ISOLATION OF A CIRCUIT COMPONENT

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 2, 2003, please consider the following.

The Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-13, drawn to an apparatus for improved shock and vibration isolation of a component mounted on a board, classified in class 361, subclass 760;
- II. Claims 14-20, drawn to a method of supporting a circuit component mounted on a board, classified in class 29, subclass 832.

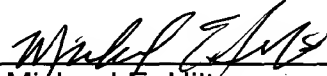
Applicants, without traverse, respectfully request the Examiner to proceed with invention I identified in Claims 1-13, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 361, subclass 760. Applicants request that the non-elected Claims be held in abeyance for possible rejoinder and/or further prosecution in future divisional and/or continuation applications.

### **CONCLUSION**

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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